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Unemployed Youths
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

a) whether the number of unemployed youths having educational qualification above matriculation has been increasing continuously even after implementation of economic reform programmes in the country for the last two decades;
b) if so, the details thereof;
c) the details of the number of unemployed youths possessing diploma and matriculation to post graduate degrees separately during each of the last three years; and
d) whether the Government has fixed any time-frame to bring down the number of unemployed youths and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR & EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a) to (c): As per Employment Exchange Statistics published by Ministry of Labour & Employment, number of jobseekers having educational qualification above matriculation registered in Employment Exchanges during 1996 and 2012 are 2.416 Crore and 3.75 Crore respectively. The growth of educated job seekers registered by Employment Exchanges, all of whom are not necessarily unemployed, during above reference period is 55.60%. The details of the number of unemployed youth registered in Employment Exchanges by education level during last three years are annexed.

(d): Government has taken various steps for generating employment in the country like encouraging private sector of economy, fast tracking various projects involving substantial investment and increasing public expenditure on schemes like Prime Minister's Employment Generation Programme (PMEGP) run by Ministry of Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises, Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGA), Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Grameen Kaushalya Yojana (DDU-GKY) scheme run by Ministry of Rural Development and National Urban Livelihoods Mission (NULM) run by Ministry of Housing & Urban Poverty Alleviation.

For skilling to provide employment, a new Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship has been established to coordinate the skill activities across Ministries. In order to improve the employability of youth, around 20 Ministries run skill development schemes across 70 sectors. According to the data compiled by National Skill Development Agency (NSDA), about 51.50 lakh persons were given skill development training in the year 2014-15 (upto Feb., 2015) under these schemes.

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